



**AIR FORCE CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL  
EXCELLENCE**

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**1. Mission.** The Air Force Center for Environmental Excellence (AFCEE) provides a full range of technical and professional services to the Air Force community in areas related to environmental restoration, pollution prevention, environmental planning, design and construction management, and comprehensive planning and design. Regional Environmental Offices (REO) represent the Air Force to federal, state, and local agencies to facilitate regional environmental compliance and management.

**2. Command.** The AFCEE Director.

- 2.1. Is responsible to the Air Force Civil Engineer (HQ USAF/ILE).
- 2.2. Directs the AFCEE.

**3. Responsibilities.**

3.1. AFCEE provides its customers with products/services in the following areas:

3.1.1. Environmental Restoration. Performs cradle-to-grave management for base environmental restoration. Services span the full spectrum of cleanup activities, from preliminary assessment/site investigation to remedial action and site close-out. Serves as primary restoration agent and consultant to the Air Force Base Conversion Agency (AFBCA) and major commands (MAJCOMs) for designated bases. Provides technical assistance to HQ USAF and MAJCOMs on issues affecting restoration policy and guidance. Provides development and operation of the Air Force Installation Restoration Program Information Management System (IRPIMS). The Air Force agent for restoration technology transfer. Identifies and validates environmental research and development requirements, manages demonstration projects, and maintains technical libraries.

3.1.2. Prevention. Provides full services pollution prevention technical and contractual assistance to Air Force commanders for reducing the use of hazardous and toxic materials and minimizing the generation of solid and hazardous wastes from installation activities. Develops and maintains a data base of state-of-the-art pollution prevention technologies and aggressively crossfeeds/markets them Air Force-wide. Develops and maintains the protocols governing the Air Force environmental auditing program. Promotes the crossfeeding of ideas, processes, and procedures through an environmental information clearinghouse, the annual Joint Service Pollution Prevention Conference and exhibition, and awareness training. Assists the office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition (SAF/AQ) and the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Environment Safety and Occupational Health (SAF/MIQ) in implementing pollution prevention concepts in weapon system acquisition.

3.1.3. Environmental Conservation and Planning. Provides a full array of environmental planning products, services and technical support to Air Force commanders in the accomplishment of their compliance with environmental laws and regulations. The technical experts for the Air Force Civil Engineer on the Environmental Impact Analysis Process (EIAP). Provides assistance to HQ USAF on issues affecting environmental analysis policy and guidance. Products include Environmental Impact Statements, Environmental Assessments, Environmental Baseline Surveys, special compliance studies, program management of the Assessment System for Aircraft Noise, and transportation planning. Provides program management and technical assistance for the Air Force Natural and Cultural Resources programs. Management includes preparation of Air Force policy guidance and professional assistance in forestry, botany, fish and wildlife, archeology, historical documentation, wetlands, Native American consultation, and preparation/oversight of the Reimbursable National Resource Program Budgets.

3.1.4. Regional Environmental Offices. Provide Air Force oversight of regional environmental compliance management. Regional Environmental Offices are proactive in assisting MAJCOMs in resolving compliance issues with federal and state regulators. Monitor rulemaking at the state and federal levels to keep Air Force personnel aware of changing regulatory requirements. Convey current standards and assist MAJCOMs in achieving compliance with environmental statutes and regulations. Interfaces with regulators to identify enforcement trends and issues that may impact the Air Force. Develop strategies for Air Force participation in federal, regional, and state natural/cultural resources initiatives. Serve as the DoD Regional Environmental Coordinator in Regions II, VI, and; the Air Force Regional coordinator in all Regions I-X.

3.1.5. Construction Management. Provides design and construction management services for the military family housing and medical program to MAJCOMs. Serves as the design and construction agent for military family housing projects, as requested by MAJCOMs. The Air Force center of expertise for design and construction of medical facilities. Develops, tests, and documents new project management, acquisition, and construction methodologies. Standardizes and documents the Air Force's practice of MILCON design and construction management.

3.1.6. Architecture and Base Comprehensive Planning. Functional experts for the Air Force Civil Engineer in the areas of base comprehensive planning, architecture, interior design, landscape architecture, Computer Aided Drafting and Design (CADD), Geographic Information Systems (GIS), and Air Installation Compatible Use Zone (AICUZ) planning. Provides MAJCOMs and bases with in-house functional area consultation, access to comprehensive planning contracting services, and professional planning and design assistance through the Assistance Team Program.

Responsible for program management of functional area programs, listed above, plus the Intern Architect Development Program and the Air Force Design Awards Program. Sponsors the Air Force Design Advisory Council.

**3.2. AFCEE sustains its operations with the following internal support functions:**

3.2.1. Mission Support. Develops and manages AFCEE financial programs and manpower requirements. Provides administrative, logistical, and graphics support. Manages and maintains the computer and support systems to sustain AFCEE's operation.

3.2.2. Public Affairs. Provides a full service public affairs function for AFCEE to include internal information products, news media management, public information management and corporate communications and marketing products. Provides stakeholder involvement program support including counsel, services, and products to implement environmental community involvement and public participation programs for AFCEE project managers and customers. Manages and maintains the AFCEE corporate exhibit and display program.

3.2.3. Legal. Provides legal information, analysis and guidance to AFCEE personnel and customers on matters of environmental law, fiscal law, ethics, Air Force and DoD regulations and policy, and procurement issues. Manages and maintains AFCEE's law library. Interfaces with federal, state, and local agencies to facilitate regulator approval of AFCEE products and services.

3.2.4. Contracting. Provides full contracting support function for AFCEE except for oversight of use of contracting authority.

**4. Relationships to Other Commands and Agencies.**

4.1. AFCEE is a field operating agency of the Air Force Civil Engineer.

4.2. Elements of the Air Force Legal Services Agency's Environmental Law and Litigation Division collocated with the REOs provide legal advice and assistance on regional environmental issues.

4.3. Human Systems Center, Contracting Division (HSC/PK) provides contracting authority and oversight of use of that authority to AFCEE contracting officers.

4.4. Interfaces with bases, MAJCOMSs, AFBCA, and SAF/MIQ to execute designated environmental projects.

4.5. Regional liaison with federal, state, and local agencies and the public concerning environmental issues.

**5. Direct Communications.** AFCEE is authorized direct communications with the EPA's Regional Administrators, senior state regulatory officials, various Air Staff elements, other government agencies and military services, Air Force commands, agencies and bases, and industry.

WILLIAM P. HALLIN, Lt General, USAF  
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